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COUNTRY East Germany REPORT

TOPIC Occupation of Military Installations in Weimar and Jena 25X1

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REMARKS

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2. Between 21 May and 2 June, the east section of Tannenberg Kaserne (8502) in Weimar was occupied by a guard detail of approximately 30 soldiers. All entrances were boarded up. The west section of the installation was occupied by some 300 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and some 100 soldiers wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets. Motor vehicles were observed there. 25X1
3. Between 25 May and 2 June, the east section of the Luetzendorf Kaserne (8503) was occupied by a unit of about 400 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Motor vehicles were seen. The central section was occupied by a rear detail of about 30 soldiers. All entrances were boarded up. Motor vehicles were seen en route to and from the installation. The west section still quartered the hospital which appeared to be occupied to capacity. 25X1
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8. On 4 June, intensive construction activity was observed at the Landgrafen
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